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Sugar Scandal

THE Coca Cola company announced Feb 25 its sale of 90,000,000 pounds of sugar to U S Gov't. Pepsi-Cola has sold 80,000,000 pounds. These figures indicate how many hundreds of millions of pounds soft drink manufacturers, especially cola makers, have on hand while the nation faces shortage and rationing.

Last week In Fact published what we believe is the first story ever printed giving facts of the present sugar scandal. In Fact named the chewing gum, cola and whiskey companies as largest hoarders of sugar.

IN FACT understands that James Farley, leading Democratic politician and Coca Cola executive, tried to suppress story in Washington and arranged sale to gov't in effort to prevent gov't seizure.

Deatherage and Dies

NATIONAL Commander George E Deatherage of the Knights of the Crusader White Shirts of St Albans, West Virginia, one of America's most notorious Fascists and Hitlerites, was discovered by PM—not by the Dies Committee—working on a US Naval construction job, and was fired by Sec'y Knox.

Martin Dies of the UnAmerican Committee, which has done nothing but grab frontpage space in the newspapers (which favor him because he protects advertising, and smears cooperatives and consumers organizations which attack fake advertising) has never taken action against the Nazis, the Mussolini-Fascists, the Franco-Fascists, chief of whom is Charles E Coughlin, or Japanese spies. All Dies has done about Japanese spies is to tell some of the largest frontpage lies in recent history --claims that he knew about the Pearl Harbor plot, etc, which Ass't Sec'y of State Sumner Welles denies and which Rep Marcantonio exposed as a lie in a nationwide hookup, not reported in most newspapers.

On the other hand Dies has protected Bundists and Fascists. Although the Dies Committee is supposed to investigate and to supply information for the proper authorities to take action, he has so far done nothing. He had Deatherage testify May 20 1939, but nothing resulted. This immunity is Deatherage's own boast, written to the now defunct magazine Ken. Commenting on an exposé of Deatherage, this Fascist answered that the magazine writer's "conjecture that Mr Dies dare not put either Mr (Fritz) Kuhn (of the Nazi Bund) or any of the so-called 'Fascist' or 'Nationalist' organizations on the stand, is quite true. Mr Dies knows on which side his bread is buttered and contents himself with loud squawks from the side

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By NORMAN M. LITTELL, Ass't US Attorney General

HILE it is true that the Nazis established a Fifth Column in every country in the world (in Norway and Holland it was actually armed and existed as a political party) it is also true that Hitlerism had its followers in high places, in the army, in political and social circles, and in the central government itself. In Britain the term "Cliveden Set" was coined for the group favoring Munich, appearement, collaboration with Nazi Germany. The President of the United States recently denounced the American Cliveden Set, but refused to name them. He said any reporter could tell their names. When Bruce Minton published a list he was smeared by Kenneth Crawford, of PM, who, however, did not publish any list.

These British and American Cliveden Setters, including Lady Astor, Lord Halifax, Lord Lothian and the Chamberlain government crowd, and a similar group around either (or both) Mrs McLean and Alice Roosevelt Longworth of Washington, constitute a sort of White Tie or Full Dress Fascism; they provide a meeting place for reactionary elements, they give the wealthy ruling class a center for political activity, they pull the secret strings of big politics. There have been Cliveden Sets in America from the time of George Washington, and the most notorious was the Ohio Gang around Harding.

Super-Cliveden Set Controls America, Deals with Nazis

Cliveden Sets are powerful. There is no doubt about Lady Astor who favored Hitler and Mussolini, and the Anglo-German Fellowship which included 24 members of the House of Commons and many powerful Lords, all working against the interests of British labor and the common people, and for their own profits ("Tory MP," by Haxey). But in America there is a super-Cliveden Set which has endangered the American defense program up to now, and which, on the authority of high and trustworthy officials in Washington, will endanger the present struggle against Fascism, and the future peace-making.

The Super-Cliveden Set in America consists of all the business interests created by Nazi commercial penetration of the U.S. The Department of Justice knows this. No doubt the President, his Cabinet, and other political leaders, have been informed of the following facts by the Department of Justice:

1. That it was Nazi commercial penetration of France above everything else that caused the fall of France.

2. That its was Nazi penetration of Britain which resulted in the Chamberlain appeasement plan and almost succeeded in aligning Britain on Germany's side.

3. That Nazi commercial penetration of the United States is a danger now because the biggest business interests in America are still affiliated with Nazi Cermany.

4. That the American corporations affiliated with the Nazis are in many instances the same corporations mentioned in the Truman Committee report as responsible for the failure of the first 18 months of the American defense program.

5. That inasmuch as the US Government has not abolished all relationships, present and future, between US corporations and Nazi Germany, and inasmuch as the biggest business interests in America maintain an interest in doing business with Hitler after the war, the entire course of the war—and the peace—is influenced by this super-Cliveden Set.

The foregoing statements are made on the authority of government officials who have investigated the facts. Here are some facts.

The assets of the bigger U S corporations in Germany are at least \$475,000,-000, and may surpass \$500,000,000. The largest interests in Germany are:

1. General Motors. Knudsen, now lieut-general, former head of production

program which failed, once called Nazi Germany a miracle. General Motors' other head, Mooney, got a Nazi medal. GM owns the Adam Opel AG, auto plant which supplied Hitler with war materials before war, and supplied Knudsen, Mooney and American investors with dividends. Opel investment was \$35,000,000. Additionally, GM invested twenty or thirty millions in other Nazi plants when Hitler refused to permit exportation of dividends. General Motors more than any other US firm is charged with sabotaging the defense program.

2. International Tel and Tel and electrical manufacturing branches, \$15,-

000,000.

3. Henry Ford, owner of Fordwerke AG and a Nazi medal; makers of Ford cars in Germany since 1934. Charles Sorensen, Ford manager, also praised Nazi Germany. Ford naturally turned down British orders for airplane motors.

4. Standard Oil Co of NJ. Full owner of Deutsche-Amerikanische Petroleum Gesellschaft. SO lists \$124,000,000 investment abroad. Socony-Vacuum lists \$38,000,000, including 3 gasoline refineries in Germany, two in France, one each in Poland, Hungary, Rumania, Italy and Yugoslavia. SO supplied Franco-Spain and Japan with oil during the war.

5. Otis Elevator.

6. Remington Rand. Incidentally, Rand is the man who invented the Mohawk Valley Formula for breaking strikes—exposed by the National Labor Relations Board. The formula insisted that every strike be called the work of "reds," and that the bribed and corrupt American press be used by Big Business to spread this falsehood, and later to announce a successful "back to work" movement, and in general to falsify the news in order to break the strike. It worked.

7. International Business Machines. Owner Thomas J Watson was decorated by Mussolini and Hitler—he has factories in Italy and sold to Germany. One year after war began Watson returned his swastika. Lately Watson put a page ad in newspapers and magazines headed "We-All," saying all of us must fight

Fascism. He was pro-Fascist until Pearl Harbor.

NAZI PENETRATION ENDANGERS WAR AND PEACE

HE half-billion investment in Nazi Germany, and Nazi penetration and relationship with American firms, does not tell the whole story. There are thousands of other American firms which hold patents or exploit German inventions or are tied commercially to Germany, and which want to restore good relations with Hitler if a "peace" can be arranged.

There are for example the patent medicine firms, such as Sterling Products and there is the huge General Aniline corporation which the U S Gov't has divorced from Nazi interests recently. It would be to their interests to resume

commercial relations the day peace is made.

Much more important, and actually the greatest danger for the successful all-out prosecution of the war to victory for the United Nations is the fact that Nazi and US big business are linked in cartels, or world trusts, by which the entire civilized world is divided into spheres of exploitation and interests. Britain and France are members also, but the future belongs to a Nazi-American alliance according to the business point of view.

Two important names omitted from the preceding list of US interests in

Germany are:

Aluminum Corporation. The Mellon-Davis family of Pittsburgh entered into a cartel with French and German aluminum interests whereby production was limited in America in order to keep up high prices for aluminum ware. Production in Germany was not limited, thereby giving Hitler aluminum to build 20,000 or more airplanes, while the U S was handicapped. (Cong. Record, May 19, 1941.)

DuPont family. Owns 23% or largest individual holding in General Motors; controls policy of GM. DuPonts exposed by Nye-Vandenberg munitions investigation as providing Japan with gunpowder and secrets of powder manufacture.

The full significance of these facts is apparent when placed alongside other facts. The O'Mahoney Investigation of Concentration of Economic Power, monograph 29 (\$2 from Sup't of Documents, Washington) shows that 200 industrial and 50 families own, control and rule America. Here are the four leading families (Table 6, page 116):

Main Corporations	Family	Holdings
Ford Motor Co	Ford	\$624,975,000
DuPont, US Rubber, GM	DuPont	573,690,000
Standard Oil (NJ, Ind, Cal, Soc-Vac)	Rockefeller	396,583,000
Alcoa, Gulf Oil, Koppers	Mellon	390,943,000

Another report, Monograph 26, names the pressure groups and lobbies which operate against American democracy and the general welfare of the American people. The National Association of Manufacturers is named as most powerful; it is accused of using the bar associations and the American Newspaper Publishers Association, which run the biggest papers in the country, as tools through which it passes its laws through Congress and generally controls the nation. All but Ford are both members and financial backers of the NAM.

Putting two and two facts together we have: Ford, DuPont, Mellon and Rockefeller connected with Nazi Germany through Fordwerke, Apel AG, the aluminum cartel, and the Petroleum Gesellschaft. The four most powerful

lines—lest in the near future the lads in his own home state may find cause to stretch his neck out on a sour apple tree.

"If you think that you can compel Mr Dies to work on these organizations, such as ourselves, you are a better man than we are—Gunga Din . . . Geo E Deatherage, Knights of the White Camellia."

William Dudley Pelley, commander of the Silver Shirts, declared (morning papers Feb 9 1940) he would disband because the Dies Committee was taking over his (Fascist) work.

George W Christians, commander of the Christian Crusaders, sends out death threats from Chattanooga. He writes IN FACT that he is not afraid of the

Dies Committee, FBI, etc.

Coughlin continues to snipe at the American war effort against Fascism. Coughlin nominated Martin Dies for President in 1940. Dies has never questioned Coughlin's pro-Hitler, pro-Mussolini propaganda in Social Justice.

Deatherage, Pelley, Christians, Fritz Kuhn, Coughlin and all Hitlerites and other Fascists in America have at one time or another endorsed Dies.

Earl Godwin in a radio broadcast morning of Feb 24 said the Dies Committee is "the most nopular committee in Congress," and attacked the American Civil Liberties Union for protesting its continuation. The CIO, 5,000,000 strong, also demands Congress end the Dies Committee.

The Press on Deatherage

THE Norfolk Virginian-Pilot (Feb 19) carried a statement by J K Bates, sup't of Boyle & Russell, that before Deatherage was made chief of \$25,000,000 naval construction job "his record was thoroughly investigated and nothing objectionable found . . . Inasmuch as his contribution is distinctly to the advantage of our country, it is my duty to retain him." The Virginian-Pilot editorial, same day, lauded Deatherage as "a very capable engineer," said that fortunately "his social and political views, in this free country, do not impair his acceptability." Virginian-Pilot added that Deatherage is no chameleon, that even today he proclaims his Fascist anti-Semitic pro-Nazi views.

These clippings were sent IN FACT by a former worker on the same construction, fired with 2 others after investigation showed they attended a meeting of League for Peace and Democracy.

Readers Digest Smear

THANKS to protests from democratic Americans who realize that the first duty of the nation is to unite and win the war, and that those who undermine unity are snipers for Hitler, the largest circulating magazine in the world, Readers Digest, has decided to withdraw the 9,000,000 reprints of its Dec 1941 smear of liberal, anti-fascist organizations.

In Fact (Feb 16) pointed out that Readers Digest in an article written by a renegade radical named Max Eastman and planted in another magazine, whose publisher has printed many Fascist articles, smeared the American Committee to Save Refugees, which has saved the lives of Spaniards, Germans, Austrians and others who fought against Hitlerism in Spain. A dozen other organizations were attacked, including the Russian War Relief, a non-political organization sponsored by leading Americans, which sends medical supplies to Russian sol-

diers, now bearing the brunt of the

world war.

Readers Digest is sending out a mimeographed letter which says: "Our decision (to end distribution of 9,000,000 reprints) is prompted by protests... from some of our readers against any unnecessary post-publication... now that our own war effort is so closely connected with that of the Russian people..."

Readers Digest continues to publish articles inimical to labor and to labor unions. Some are written by William Hard, who in the 1920's was such a radical he was attacked by the Lusk Committee, the forerunner of the Dies Committee, and incidentally publisher of almost as many falsehoods as the latter. Hard, having become a reactionary, is welcome to the Readers Digest.

On Hitler's Side

DR Harry F Ward, for many years professor of Christian ethics at Union Theological Seminary, denounces Max Eastman, who wrote the Readers Digest smear, and Eugene Lyons, in whose magazine it was planted by the Digest owners. Lyons and Eastman are charged with repeating the smears of the Dies Committee. Says Dr Ward:

"Actually Lyons has no firsthand knowledge of the democratic front. He is not of that group of fact-finding journalists to whom the historians of this period will go for part of their source

material...

"Having for many years observed and participated . . . having been in a responsible position in the pre-war democratic front, I am in a position to know at first hand that, like those of Dies, a number of statements of Lyons and Eastman are completely false, and others complete misinterpretations of the facts . . . As the book reviewer of the reactionary NYSun told Lyons, his position logically lines him up on Hitler's side."—(The Protestant, Jan 1942).

What Is Treason?

STATION KMTR, 6:30 pm Feb 14 presented California with a talk by Bob Shuler attacking two nations, Germany and Russia, and two leaders, Hitler and Stalin. Both were equally reviled. The speaker apparently was not aware that the United States is fighting one and is allied to the other. The speech made over a radio station is exactly the kind of talk which President Roosevelt denounced in his Washington Birthday fireside chat as aiding the enemy. If this is treason, why doesn't the FBI investigate station KMTR?

Radio stations operate under the Federal Communications Commission. The FCC has been asked by Los Angeles citizens and others to cancel KMTR li-

cense.

After attacking Russia and Germany, Shuler concludes: "Personally I would as

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How US Press Whitewashes Monopoly

Here is an example of how big business newspapers attempt to whitewash the American end of the German-American monopoly which is largely responsible

for American unpreparedness.

The rubber shortage, the failure of America to provide for artificial rubber in time of war, says Sec'y of the Navy Knox's newspaper (Chi Daily News, Jan 27 1942, financial section, p 1, col 1, signed by Royal F Munger) can be traced back "to the usual slimy center of I G Farbenindustrie, mentioned previously in these columns in connection with certain Nazi tentacles in the U S." So far so good. And, continues the News, there is "no evidence to disprove the suspicion that the American development of synthetic rubber, which might have made us practically independent of the Japanese thrust into Malaya, was blocked and hindered by shrewd maneuvers on the part of the IGF... More than 5 years ago the IGF, the great Nazi trust, began producing synthetic rubber... aided... according to talk in NY, by the research genius of the men of Standard Oil of NJ... The world was at peace...

"But although IGF was bound by a basic contract . . . to share its research findings with SO of NJ, it seems to have made one excuse after another. . . .

"Farben and Standard of NJ got together and created Jasco Inc . . . It looked like a reasonable business step, but unfortunately Farben began to refuse to share results . . . It is also claimed that Jasco consistently obstructed and discouraged American companies seeking licenses in that field.

"One theory is that SO of NJ was primarily interested in the oil business, and that if Standard kept out of the synthetic rubber field, Farben would keep

out of the oil competition. . . ." And now the CDNews payoff:

"It would be absurd to doubt the patriotism of the management of Standard of NJ, and we have no intention of following any such line. Its officials are good, red-blooded Americans. . . ." And here is something still better:

"The point we do make is that official Washington . . . was wasting its time, and the time of American businessmen, by bringing a lot of silly antitrust suits and price-fixing suits, that never made a dollar of difference to the consumer, but upset all American industry in meat packing, oil refining, and a score of other lines . . . But the biggest, most glaring situation in which the national protection really required vigorous official action, found the Washington office of the Attorney General asleep behind its guns."

The facts are that the guilty persons are those who own and manage Standard Oil, from the Rockefellers down to the unit presidents, such as W S Farish, head of SO of NJ, and Walter C Teagle, chairman of the board, who as late as a few weeks before Pearl Harbor defended shipments of oil to Japan, who supplied Franco with oil which SO knew was being transshipped to Germany.

Jan 28, the day after the CDNews whitewash, Senator D Worth Clark of Idaho read into the Congressional Record the charge that SO of NJ bought out the IGF interest in Jasco in 1939, that ever since 1937, on orders of Hitler, Jasco failed to deliver research findings to SO, and that "certain predatory business interests" are to blame for the artificial rubber shortage.

US BIG BUSINESS AND THE NAZI "NEW ORDER"

BY NORMAN M LITTELL

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(As evidence that the Department of Justice is well aware that the most dangerous situation in America has been created by Nazi penetration of the most powerful fortress in our country, Big Business, and that the conduct of the war, and the shape of the ensuing peace are endangered by this relationship between the biggest private concerns in America with concerns in Germany which are part of the Nazi regime, we offer the following statement made by an assistant attorney general of the United States.

This statement, prepared by the Dept of Justice, and delivered at a University of Chicago School of Business dinner, was sent to IN FACT by a faculty member. It was made before Pearl Harbor, and this adds to its importance. Charges were made against Ford, General Motors, other big corporations which

a government official might not want to repeat today.—The Editor.)

RANCE fell very largely because her economy was honeycombed by Nazi penetration, not because she lacked military genius. Actually, the use of panzer divisions was advocated in the French army by General De Gaulle, now head of the "Free France" movement, in 1933, and again advocated by Lieutenant Colonel Lancon in 1935 and described in these words:

"Whenever, at the outset of a war, some power will be in a position to put into the field eight or ten mechanized divisions, it will possess an offensive strength which, in the present state of things, nothing will be able to withstand. In this hypothetical case the beginning of the war will very swiftly become its end."

France rejected the advice of her military men because like all democracies she was geared to the ways of peace. Even with the imminence of war and after war commenced in September, 1939, French democracy continued the quest for profits in the normal channels of trade. Not only was the strategy of conquest

French in origin, but so also was the armorplate of the German tanks and the steel of Nazi guns and shells, for French ore was shipped in an unending stream of profitable business to the insatiable blast furnaces of Hitler. This was arranged by the brothers De Wendell, presidents of the Comite des Forges—the steel trust of France—and owners of one of the largest and richest ore mines in France, and by steel magnates of Belgium and Luxembourg, all associated together in cartel (international trusts) arrangements.

In the pattern of business relationships between the Saar and Lorraine, the French were content with profits, but the Germans always sought a foothold within French industry itself by stock ownership and mergers. Even before the first world war men like Thyssen, Hoesch and Rockling owned several French mines in Lorraine and had even advanced as far as Normandy and the Pyrennes. The mines in the Saar were under joint control, and the return of the

Saar to Germany in 1935 had not really altered the situation.

By 1936, 500,000 to 600,000 tons of French ore were being shipped to Germany every month, but the Comite des Forges successfully resisted any effort of the Government to stop these shipments. If coal was imported from Britain it would cost very much more than German coal. Schacht came to Paris and pictured Franco-German cooperation in glowing terms; Germany did not need the French ore for its guns, but only to build houses, bridges, railways and merchant ships. If shipments were stopped, workers would have to be laid off in France. Thus, Germany gained possession of about 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 tons of French ore in the years from 1932 to September, 1939, when war broke out.

Only one serious interruption to this traffic took place and that was during the fateful anschluss with Austria in March, 1938. France threatened an embargo on ore shipments. Germany suddenly dropped its imports by 90%. At a time of political crisis and confusion in France, mining firms were faced with a shutdown and miners with unemployment. Both operators and unions petitioned the Government to get back the Nazi business. The French Government under pressure from both labor and industry, was forced to negotiate an agreement with Germany guaranteeing the continuance of iron ore shipments. It was just as Hitler said—they wanted "fat profits" and "pay envelopes."

As a result of this shrewd Nazi manipulation of economic forces within France, ore shipments to Germany continued up to, and even after the war broke out, and French soldiers moved up to the front and into the Maginot line, side by side with freight cars of ore moving to the German armament plants.

Now this is but one example of close industrial relations between Germany and France. There were cartel arrangements and patent control agreements which actually limited the production of necessary materials for airplanes in France. All of these profitable channels of trade inevitably produced and encouraged a solid block of opinion in favor of the new regime in Germany. The brothers De Wendell of the steel trust were leading supporters of the pro-Hitler movement in France, and many other French industrialists were won over.

What of the aftermath following the fall of France in June, 1940? As German troops marched into Paris, German accountants motored directly to all large public accounting firms, incuding such offices as the American Price Waterhouse and Company, and sealed the premises while Nazi financial experts were placed in all French banks. After close study of French finances, the Nazis were prepared by the end of 1940 to move into control of French industries.

(The conclusion of Mr Littell's statement, dealing with Nazi penetration of

Britain and the United States, will be published next week.)

soon lose this war as to win it, if . . ."
The "if" hardly matters after a phrase as treasonable as the foregoing.

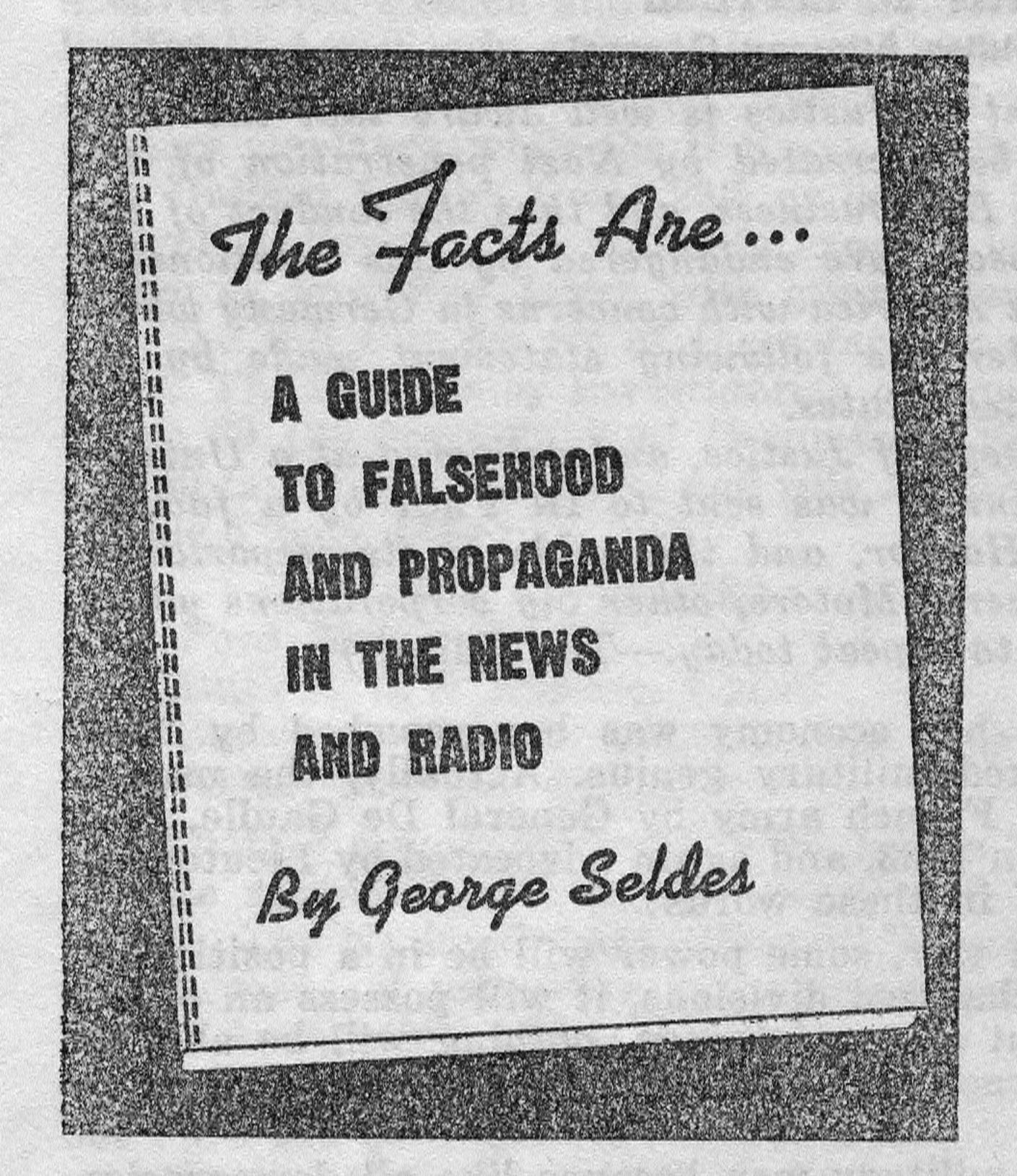
The Dies UnAmerican Committee will probably take no action against Shuler because Shuler in his Sunday speech, Feb 15, same station, referred to "Congressman Dies of Texas, possibly rendering the greatest single service of any man in Congress at this time."

Hitlerites in Chicago

and Russia were booed, China's war needs made a subject for laughter, America's commander-in-chief ridiculed, at a meeting of Wm G Grace's "Citizens Committee," 32 West Randolph St. Chicago, the Chicago Daily News reported Feb 14. Speaker was Rev Gerald L K Smith, notorious Fascist, who has been exposed by liberal organizations for years and permitted to spread Fascism by Chairman Dies. Rev GLK Smith approved Col McCormick of the Chi Tribune and Lindbergh, who were applauded. Smith said America First should not have disbanded, and that Huey Long, with whom he was associated in New Orleans, was "the Lincoln of the South." The only publication sold at the meeting was Coughlin's Social Justice.

Smith has been circulating a letter announcing "after much thought and planning" the establishment of "the Inner Circle" which would be the "wheel within a wheel" of the Fascist Committee of One Million. He reports conferences in Washington with unnamed leaders in Washington who gave him and his Fascist plottings "a cordial reception." The Hour, anti-Fascist newsletter, states that the leaders with whom Smith has been in close touch are Senator Reynolds of North Carolina, head of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs; Senators Vandenberg and Wheeler; ex-Senator Rush Holt of West Virginia (currently accused of having cooperated with the paid Nazi agent, George Sylvester Viereck) and Representative Clare E Hoffman of Michigan.

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